

City of Norfolk
Building Construction Services Division Policy
Elect-04-002

Temporary Power

EFFECTIVE: January 3, 2005

This policy establishes the conditions necessary for early release of electrical power prior to final inspection for one and two family dwellings.

Section 2701.1.1 of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code states in part:

801.2.1. One- and two-family dwellings. The building official shall give permission to energize the electrical service equipment of a one- or two-family dwelling unit when all of the following requirements have been approved:

- 1. The service wiring and equipment, including the meter socket enclosure, shall be installed and the service wiring terminated.*
- 2. The grounding electrode system shall be installed and terminated.*
- 3. At least one receptacle outlet on a ground fault protected circuit shall be installed and the circuit wiring terminated.*
- 4. Service equipment covers shall be installed.*
- 5. The building roof covering shall be installed.*
- 6. Temporary electrical service equipment shall be suitable for wet locations unless the interior is dry and protected from the weather.*

Because of the need to properly test certain electrical components during a Final Inspection for a residence, building power must be turned on prior to the final inspection. When requested to do so by the Electrical Contractor on behalf of the General Contractor or the Building Owner, the City of Norfolk will authorize temporary electrical power for one and two family dwellings if conditions 1-6 (above) are met.

In addition to these conditions, before temporary power is authorized, the building owner or authorized agent must sign a statement (attached) that includes the following conditions:

1. That the building will not be inhabited prior to approval of all Final Inspections and Certificate of Occupancy is issued and
2. That the building and its premises will remain safe.

Temporary power must be requested at any time prior to the Final Inspection so that the building is energized for the Final Inspection. The fee for the temporary power will be automatically added to the electrical permit for the building.

Agreement

I, _____, am the owner or owner's authorized representative for property located at _____ in the City of Norfolk. We are requesting temporary electric power at this location. I (we) acknowledge that before this building is inhabited, that a final inspection must be approved and a Certificate of Occupancy must be issued by the City of Norfolk. I further acknowledge that if this agreement is not kept, this permit may be invalidated.

In addition, I (we) agree to maintain the building and the premises safe, free of dangerous conditions.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Signature

Date

This is to notify owner or owner's authorized agent that electrical power will be authorized if the following conditions are met:

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In order to receive temporary electrical service, you must request an inspection. The number for that request is 664-6509.